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DECEMBER REPORT

Fish Warden Van Dusen Makes Monthly Statement.

DEPARTMENT IS PROSPEROUS

During Month Department Collected \$315 From All Sources and Disbursements Amounted to \$7507.23—Much Work Done at Different Hatcheries.

Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen has submitted his report for the month of December. During the month in District No. 2, there were three arrests and prosecutions for violation of the fishing laws. In District No. 1 there were \$87.50 collected in licenses. From fines and penalties collected in District No. 2, the sum of \$140 was received, and from licenses issued in District No. 2, the sum of \$87.50, making a total of \$227.50 for this district. The amount collected in both districts totaled \$315. The disbursements of the department for the month amounted to the sum of \$7507.23, which amount is divided as follows:

\$2,236.50 of which is against Hatchery Fund, District No. 1, 1,483.36 is against Hatchery Fund, District No. 2, 990.55 is against the special appropriation, constructing hatcheries on the Columbia River (the Wallowa Hatchery), 1,315.49 is against the special appropriation, operating and maintaining hatcheries on coast streams (Umpqua and South Coos River), and 1,511.33 is against the special appropriation for the salary and expenses of the Master Fish Warden, and the salary and expenses of the Deputy Fish Warden.

From recent reports received, the result of the season's work shows that the department has on hand eggs and fry which are being cared for at the different hatchery stations as per the following:

Salmon River Hatchery (Chinooks) 2,508,040
Salmon River Hatchery, Silversides 268,000
Total 3,136,040

In addition to the above there were raised and liberated 795,285 Steelhead Salmon during April, May and June, 1905, at Salmon River.

McKenzie River Hatchery Sta., Chinook 1,783,771
Wallowa River Hatchery, Chinooks 2,000,000
Ontario Salmon Hatchery, Chinooks 6,977,000
Yaquina Hatchery, Chinooks 1,641,650
Yaquina Hatchery, Silversides 4,053,200

Total from Yaquina 5,694,850

In addition to the above there were raised and liberated 850,000 Steelhead Salmon during April, May and June, 1905, at Yaquina Hatchery.

Siuslaw River Hatchery Sta., Chinooks 2,013,700
Siuslaw River Hatchery Sta., Silversides 2,036,100

Total 4,049,800

Umpqua River Hatchery, Chinooks 5,013,700
South Coos River Hatchery, Chinooks 6,500,000

Which makes the total on hand equal to 35,215,161
Steelhead Salmon raised and turned out during the spring months, including those turned over to the Lewis & Clark Exposition amounted to 1,025,785

Grand total 36,840,946

In addition to the above the department expects to take a couple million more Silverside eggs at the Yaquina Hatchery and a million or more at the Siuslaw River Station.

Half of the eggs collected at the South Coos River Hatchery will be taken over the mountain to the sub-station that is situated on the North Fork of the Coquille River and raised and liberated into that stream, and half of the Coquille River and raised and liberated into that stream, and half of the Chinook eggs and a couple million of the Silverside eggs collected at the Yaquina Hatchery will be transferred to a sub-station that has been established at the Neal Place on Drift creek, a tributary of the Alsea River and will be raised and turned into the waters of the Alsea.

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In Regular Session.—It is probable the Astoria Chamber of Commerce will resume its regular meetings on Monday night, January 15th, next. Any change from this conclusion, will be promptly published in these columns.

Looking After Property.—Secretary R. Olin, and Manager D. B. McCloud of the Hammond Lumber Company, at Portland, were in the city yesterday, looking into the condition of the company's big pile-raft now stranded in the river harbor. Nothing definite as to its disposition was made known, if any conclusion was reached by the gentlemen.

Probably A Fake.—A man giving the name of Griffith Mansfield fell in at what was supposedly an epileptic fit yesterday, and was taken to St. Mary's hospital for treatment. He revived shortly and explained that he was subject to such fits, having a few years ago fell from the rigging of a ship and suffered injuries which brought on such attacks. The man is evidently an hustler and works his game in order to get sympathy and help from the public. About three months ago a man giving a similar name appeared in Black City where he is said to have obtained considerable money by his story.

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New Agent in City.—The Blake-McFall Company, of Portland, has summoned Cyrus E. Palmer, the genial "Cy," to headquarters, and he will do business in the metropolis from this time on. In his Astoria territory they have placed Charles D. White, as resident agent for the house, and the latter gentlemen will make this his home and business headquarters, operating from here in the large field under his charge. "Cy" will be missed here, but that will not lessen the welcome of Mr. White to Astoria's business and social circles.

Mrs. William Adams Dies.—At a late hour last evening word was received of the death of Mrs. William Adams of this city at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Pardee, 1702 Franklin avenue. At the time of her death Mrs. Adams was 83 years of age. She was born in Quebec, Canada, in 1823 and was one of Oregon's early pioneers. Three children were born to her. They are, Mrs. George Pardee, William Adams, and George Adams. Arrangements for the funeral of the deceased have not yet been made.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The Farmers' Institute, mention of which was made in Thursday's issue of the Astorian, is billed for March 16th and 17th, Friday and Saturday, instead of February. The suggestion came in a letter from Dr. James Withycombe of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis; and it is very expedient that the farmers of Clatsop get in their word on the proposition as soon as possible, in order that the friends of the movement in the city may know what and when and where the affair is to be, and be held. The expense of a hall, music, and such entertainment as the beneficiaries of the institute shall see fit to furnish, is all the cost accruing to them; and Judge Bowly of this city is in correspondence now as to particulars. Farmers and others will do well to signify the topics they most desire to be lectured upon, in order that the gentlemen from the college may equip themselves to meet the demand. Further information will be given in this relation as the mooted points shall be decided in turn.

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